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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I have been with Gorge Networks as a long-time subscriber, and previously had some experience with larger providers.

Local is indeed better. Century Link is the the biggie in this area, and Gorge Net is at their mercy, dependent on their fiber. Gorge Net has community in mind, and their Internet presence includes free classifieds and listings, which you would not find Sprint/Century Link providing.

Competition is good. Century Link has narrowed the field; they specifically went after another company that's no longer in business. I know whereof I speak; I edited the local paper 17 years.

I am retired and on a fixed income, so price hikes could put me incommunicado. Please don't let this happen.

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